

The Social World

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AMERICAN LEGION TO FETE BIRTHDAY

Women of the American Legion Auxiliary will join with members of Bert S. Crossland Post No. 170 next Tuesday evening, 6:30 o'clock, in celebrating the post's birthday at a potluck dinner in the local Legion Hall. Reservations for the affair must be made by Saturday, Mar. 28, by calling 1569-J, 965-M, or 610, according to R. G. Ernst of the Legion post.

Buggy to Take 'Spot' At JayCette Pioneer Party Saturday Night

An old-fashioned buggy will take the decoration spotlight next Saturday night, Mar. 28, when members of the JayCees, their wives, and friends gather at the VFW Hall in Lomita for one of the oldest American evenings of entertainment, a box social. The affair, sponsored by the JayCettes, which is composed of wives of JayCees members, will begin at 8 o'clock. At that hour, amid other decorations all designed to carry out the Western theme, box suppers prepared by the distaff group of guests will be auctioned off to the highest bidders among the JayCees and their male friends. The boxes, in the best tradition of those prepared by pioneer wives, will either give clues to or disguise the identity of the cooks, for the gentleman who buys the box also buys the lady who prepared it for the supper hour. A dance to popular discs of the day and a special surprise skit featuring members of the JayCettes will follow, according to Mrs. Jack Baldwin, general chairman in charge of the event. Those who are assisting her with arrangements are Mesdames Dale Stanton, Gordon Jones, Tony Ryback, Don Carpenter, Bill Pollock, and Frank Norris.



MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM A. DAVIS (Doris Lee Photo) Shown at Reception

Harbor Hospital Employees Plan Dance, Other Socials To Benefit Recreation Fund

Beginning Friday night, Apr. 10, Harbor General Hospital Employees' Association will hold a series of social events to augment its recreation fund. This first affair, a dance featuring the music of Jeep Smith and his Jeepsters, will be held at the Hollywood Riviera Clubhouse from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Duncan Wright, president, said. Admission price is \$1 per person. "We are planning at least two more dances, several home-talent shows, and a barbecue," Wright revealed. The recreation program, begun at the hospital since Wright's election, includes softball, basketball, and an art group. At present, Wright said, funds are urgently needed to complete surfacing of diamonds for softball games. The art group, known as the Harbor Palette Club, was organized about six weeks ago by Leland M. Hall, second vice-president of the Los Angeles County Employees' Art Association and a member of the San Pedro Art Association and the Spectrum Club of Long Beach. Conducted as a class under the auspices of the Adult Education Department, the club meets each Thursday from 5 to 7 p.m. and now has about 40 members, Hall said. William Thomas Young, who received his master's degree from the University of Alabama, is the instructor. Palette Club members plan to enter some of their works in the May Hobby, Arts, and Flower Show, and also to stage other community showings of their paintings.

TWIN PTA'S WILL JOIN COUNCIL

Parents of the children who are attending the new Dolores St. School in the harbor area, and the new 166th St. school in Gardena will be welcomed into the Gardena-Wilmington Council of PTA's early in April as the 15th and 16th units in the Council. Both units-to-be held pre-organization meetings Wednesday of last week. Carl Carter, principal at Dolores St. School, welcomed 35 parents of children in the Key-stone-Avalon Village area at the Dolores St. School session. Mrs. Lester H. Montgomery, extension director for Tenth District, presided at the meeting. She was assisted by Mrs. Roy Shepherd, elementary school service chairman, and Mrs. Lawrence Lobach, regional director of the harbor area. Gardena-Wilmington Council was represented by its president, Mrs. James A. Gauley. Completion of organizational proceedings and election of officers of the new PTA has been scheduled for 10 o'clock Wednesday morning, Apr. 8, at Dolores St. School.

186th PTA CARNIVAL DRAWS 1500

Approximately 1500 people crowded 186th St. School on St. Patrick's Day for the annual carnival sponsored by the PTA. Because of the large turnout, the event was a financial success, Mrs. A. B. Pond, treasurer, said. One half of the profits has been donated to the student body fund, which is used to buy things for the school, she said. "Six new schoolrooms will open shortly, there will be numerous uses for the money," she explained. Mrs. W. A. Douglas, ways and means chairman, was in general charge of the carnival. Both chairman assisting her were Mesdames Bill Rose, food; Harold Sprankle, parcel post; Frank Nelson, handwork; David Wood, candy; Donald Powell, white elephant; and Burrell Burrus, flowers; and Floyd Beech, games.

Borens Fete Son, Bride

One of the first social functions of the March-married Mr. and Mrs. William Lewis Borens was the recent Sunday evening buffet supper at the 1318 Elm St. home of his parents. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Borens. About 25 relatives were on hand for the reception honoring the new bride and groom, who are making their home at 4227 Centinela Ave., Culver City. Movies of Mexico City and Honolulu, taken by the hosts on trips there last summer and in 1950, respectively, were shown following supper.

New-wed William A. Davises Make Home on Cabrillo Ave.

Among the many newly-married couples who are making their home in Torrance are Mr. and Mrs. William A. Davis, who were wed at ceremonies in the Church of the Nazarene in Hawthorne last Feb. 14. The young bride and groom, both graduates of Narbonne High School, established residence at 1731 Cabrillo Ave. following a honeymoon trip up the Pacific coast. They left on the wedding journey immediately after a reception held at the church annex. Prior to the 2 p.m. wedding rites, Robert Foster sang "I Love You Truly" and "Always." For the ceremony, performed by the Rev. Freeman A. Brunson, the former Miss Judy Mae Showalter chose a white satin and Chantilly lace gown with a pearl-trimmed neckline. Her bouquet was of white orchids and white carnations. Rainbow shades gave the traditional send-off to costumes worn by members of the bridal entourage. Mrs. Iris Heavener, sister of the groom, attended as matron of honor in a peacock blue taffeta and nylon tulle gown accented with a bouquet of pink carnations. Both bridesmaids, Misses Janice and Joyce Showalter, sisters of the bride, also carried pink carnation bouquets to complement with their gowns of pastel pink and blue taffeta and nylon tulle. Linda Lund, gowned in pink organdy, served as flower girl. Attending as his brother-in-law's best man was Paul R. Heavener. William Oakes and Don Beebe ushered. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ike Showalter, 1555 W. 215th St., while the groom is the son of Mrs. Allene A. Hall, 1410 W. 215th St.

Halldale PTA Directs Paper Drive Today

Under the direction of PTA leaders, students at Halldale School are busy today collecting old newspapers and magazines for the March paper drive. Mesdames E. R. Martin, ways and means chairman, and her assistant, Mrs. W. L. Harvey, are in charge of the money-making project. Anyone wishing papers picked up may call Mrs. Martin at 435-W. Students also will be in the spotlight tomorrow when the PTA sponsors Easter parties for each class. Mrs. J. E. Holloway, room mother chairman, is directing the festivities. Association members chose Mrs. E. E. Salcido to succeed Mrs. C. C. DeVore as president at the March meeting. Chosen to assist her were the following: Mesdames E. N. Reese, first vice-president; Amanda Bonwell, second vice-president; Fred Schimmel, recording secretary; John Anrade, financial secretary; David Goolsley, treasurer; William McAllister, historian; and Walter Swass, auditor.

City OES Leaders Join Past Presidents' Group in Socials

A luncheon meeting at Carolina Pines, a buffet dinner at a Glendale home, and a buffet dance and card party at Las Flores Temple made last week-end a busy one for several local OES members who also are affiliated with the Lois Blodgett Tamba Association. Vivian Cook, a past matron of the Torrance Eastern Star and president of the Tamba group, conducted the business session following the Saturday luncheon. Other locals attending were Ann Martin, Vivian Brewer, and Ione Smale. Honored guest at the luncheon, which carried out a St. Patrick's theme, was Lois Blodgett Tamba, grand officer past grand matron. Members presented her with a gift in honor of her birthday. The following Sunday, Mrs. Cook and her husband, Frederick, and Mr. and Mrs. Lealie Parsons joined past and present presidents of the 1951 Association at a buffet dinner held in honor of the grand officer at the Glendale home of Grand Ruth Agnes Barnes. Table decor featured a center arrangement of pink stock flanked by matchbox candles in silver candelabra, a gift of Ruths throughout the state. The group adjourned to the Las Flores Temple after dinner for an evening of dancing, cards, and a buffet supper.

City Neighbors Will Hostess District Meet

Torrance Camp, Royal Neighbors of America, will entertain the South Bay District Camps at the Woman's Clubhouse, 1422 Engracia Ave., next Tuesday evening, Mar. 31. Mrs. Frank Shepherd, oracle of the city camp, will open the 8 o'clock meeting, with Deputy Mamie Kirchner of Culver City assisting. Guest officers for the evening will be past and present oracles of the district, which is composed of Redondo Beach, San Pedro, Inglewood, Culver City, Ocean Park, and Torrance Camps. The meeting is for Royal Neighbors only.



SPRIT OF THE WEST... Will live again Saturday night as the Jayettes sponsor an old-fashioned box social at the VFW Hall in Lomita. Getting in the pioneer spirit for the affair are, hitching up the pony, left to right, Mesdames Dale Stanton and Jack Baldwin; climbing into the buggy, Mrs. Chuck Herrin; and shouting "giddyup" as they guide the reins, left to right, Mesdames Frank Norris and Gordon Jones. The buggy, minus the pony, will be a main feature of dance decorations.

First 'Cancer Party' Staged At Home Of Paul Roettgers

First in a series of "cancer parties" took over the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Roettger, 23043 Doris Way, last Tuesday night. Although the fund-raising drive against the disease will not begin officially until Apr. 1, Mrs. Roettger, as hostess chairman for Seaside Ranchos, invited a group of friends for an evening of bridge. Pamphlets on the disease were used as bridge talismans, and each guest donated \$1 or more to the Cancer Society as the price of admission. This gathering was the "fuse" which will set off similar parties in the neighborhood and throughout Torrance during the drive. Something new in the cancer campaign, the program of parties is designed to eliminate the "house to house" collections and, by giving individual information about the disease, to fight against the fear which is so much a part of the drive against cancer, Dr. Arthur Berke, chairman, said. Those invited to this first affair were Messrs. and Mesdames John Barth, C. H. Mewborn, Paul Shidler, James Shidler, Phillip Shaw, Alex Hunt, Phillip Benjamin, Douglas Horne; and Mrs. Mina Shidler. "I hope that the party will give some of the guests and others who may read about it the stimulus to hostess similar events and give their support to this worthy cause," Mrs. Roettger said. During the evening, those attending were told of a movie on cancer to be held Apr. 16, national "C Day," at Torrance Theater. Following the 8 p.m. show, a speaker will answer questions, and a collection for the cancer fund will be taken. Also on the slate for the cancer campaign are a series of speeches at Kiwanis and Rotary clubs, to be given in early April. Added to the list of chairmen announced last week are Ken Anderson, who will serve as industrial chairman, and Richard Bonham, who will assist the commercial chairman. Any others who desire to participate in the drive may contact Dr. Berke at 2083.

Dates, Topics for Family Life Education Series Set

First in a series of four free family-life education lectures sponsored by the Torrance School of Adult Education in cooperation with Torrance Council PTA will be held Monday morning, Apr. 6, in the lecture room of the city library. Topic of the 9:30 to 11:30 o'clock talk will be "Family Life Education for the Young Child." It will cover the answers to such questions as how parents reply to the questions about life and growth asked by young children, and what sex education parents need to give their children during their early years. Dr. Maurine W. Sellstrom will be the lecturer at the first and other sessions, to be held each succeeding Monday at the same time and at the same locale. Dr. Sellstrom, author of "Life's Mountain," a book of poetry dealing with everyday philosophy, and "Time is the Piper," a book on parent education, is the mother of two adolescent girls and has had wide experience in youth group leadership, counseling, and teaching adult classes. Announced topic for the Apr. 13 lecture is "Preparing the Child for Adolescence." This topic will cover the ways to help children understand the changes that will take place in their bodies, and how parents can help them to accept their own role as men or women. The concluding lectures, slated for Apr. 20 and 27, will deal with "Building Sound Nerves," and "Quarrelling and Arguing," respectively.

B'nai B'rith To Consider New Leaders

The suggested list of officers for 1953-54 will be presented to night by the nominating committee at an 8:30 o'clock meeting of South Bay B'nai B'rith Women, to be held at the YWCA, 2360 W. Carson St. Nominations from the floor also will be accepted. Mrs. Claire Fein, publicity chairman, said. Members and guests may make their own tables and choose their own favorite game for the social hour following the business session. Mrs. Fein added. Prizes will be awarded for top scores, and refreshments will be served. According to a bulletin received by Mrs. Murray Rosenfeld, president, from the national B'nai B'rith News Service, a total of \$20,000 has been given by the organization to aid the victims of floods in Holland, Belgium, and Great Britain. Previously this year, the Juniors have given \$10 to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis; \$10 to Sawtelle Veterans' Hospital for Christmas gifts; \$50 to CARE; \$10 to "Save the Children," a layette fund for children in the United States and eight foreign countries; and \$25 to the local YMCA. Thus the money spent by the club for philanthropy since September totals \$205, Mrs. Percy said. In addition, the Junior women have collectively given 200 hours for various philanthropic projects, the publicity chairman revealed. AID RED CROSS Seventy-five of the 200 hours have been given in the present Red Cross drive, and volunteers have collected \$125 thus far, Mrs. Percy said. The club also donated time to solicit during the Community Chest campaign

Council PTA Will Name New Leaders

Gardena-Wilmington Council PTA will elect officers for 1953-54 at a 10 o'clock meeting tomorrow morning at Chapman Ave. School, 1947 Compton Blvd., Gardena. All Council executive board members and unit delegates are requested to attend the session. Mrs. B. H. Cothran, press chairman, said. Guest speaker for the day will be Mrs. Edward T. Walker, junior past president of California Congress of Parents and Teachers. Members of the Chapman Ave. PTA will be hostesses at a noon luncheon following the meeting.

'Daughters' To Visit OES

Job's Daughters, Bethel No. 50, will perform some of their work for Torrance Chapter No. 380, Order of the Eastern Star at next Thursday's meeting of the Order in the Masonic Temple on Sartori. Announcement of the visit was made by Worthy Patron Thomas Foster at last Thursday's session. Highlighting the program was a talk by Harvey Hightower, past patron from Alabama, OES or out-of-state past matrons and past patrons from Montana and Mississippi, and visitors from Victorville, San Pedro Harbor, Point Fermin, and Wilmington chapters also received escort and presentation honors during the evening. Degrees of the Order were given to Dorothy Jones, and initiation ceremonies were conducted for Sue Wright and Sidney Relsert. The Five Star Points were chairmen for the social hour following the meeting. Nut cups shaped like shamrocks carried out the St. Patrick's theme at each service, and an arrangement of Talisman roses centered each table.

RAYMOND HARKERS RETURN FROM TRIP

Just returned to their home at 22911 Narbonne Ave., following a four-month motor trip to the midwest are Mr. and Mrs. Raymond D. Harker. The Torrance couple visited their son, Jack R. Harker, at Houston, Tex., and her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Broscheid, at La Salle, Ill. The Harkers were residents of La Salle before coming to Torrance. WEEK-END AT OJAI Enjoying golf, sunshine, swimming, and bridge at Ojai last week-end were the Paul Lorangers, 1448 Post Ave.; the Dean Searnes, 1635 Post Ave.; the Farke Montagues, 1328 Beach Ave.; and the C. H. Bagdikian of Long Beach.